

# Media Release

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## Enjoy a day out and learn more about our environment at Ecofest

Central Queensland's largest environmental event, Ecofest, is back this Sunday at Gladstone's Tondoon Botanic Gardens.

Ecofest aims to educate residents to better understand our impact on the environment and to empower us into making changes towards a sustainable life.

Traditionally held on the first Sunday in June to coincide with World Environment Day, this year's event will be on Sunday 6 June from 10am-3pm at Tondoon Botanic Gardens.

Gladstone Region Councillor Desley O'Grady said Ecofest is a perfect event for anyone to attend, as it incorporates both fun and educational elements.

"Attendees will be able to enjoy a fun day out with kids activities, educational workshops from leaders in gardening and sustainability as well as eco-market stalls, a plant sale, food vans, live music and even an appearance by the Plastic Free Mermaid, Kate Nelson," Councillor O'Grady said.

"This year's theme – Ecosystem Restoration – is particularly relevant for the Gladstone Region which is fortunate to be home to a vast array of ecosystems from the Southern Great Barrier Reef, rainforests, wetlands, coastlines and more.

"Despite Gladstone being widely known as an industrial town, our region as a whole is brimming with a diverse and important range of natural environments that we must ensure remain intact for generations to come."

### **ECOFEST 2021**

**WHEN:** 10am-3pm, Sunday 6 June

**WHERE:** Gladstone Tondoon Botanic Gardens (672 Glenlyon Road)

**COST:** Free.

Shuttle buses will operate throughout the day to assist with parking limitations at Tondoon Botanic Gardens as the Meteors Football Club area opposite the Gardens will not have parking available.

Please visit [www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/ecofest](http://www.gladstone.qld.gov.au/ecofest) to view the shuttle bus timetable and list of activities on offer at Ecofest 2021.

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